

REMARKS

The specification has been amended to provide a cross-reference to the previously filed International Application.

The specification has also been amended to correct a typographical error made during translation of the International Application.

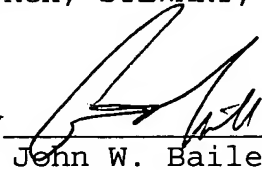
Entry of the above amendments is earnestly solicited. An early and favorable first action on the merits is earnestly solicited.

Attached hereto is a marked-up copy of the changes made to the application by this Amendment.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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The paragraph beginning on page 20, line 14, has been amended as follows:

The dropping ratio (%) at an angle θ is defined by a ratio of a dropped weight at an angle θ to an entire weight of the measurement sample, wherein the dropped weight at an angle θ is an average value of measurement values of the dropped weights of a total of 40 points from an angle of $[(\theta - 2.9325)^\circ] \underline{(\theta - 2.925)^\circ}$ to an angle θ ...

The paragraph beginning on page 23, line 8, has been amended as follows:

--The dropping ratio (%) at an angle θ is defined by a ratio of a dropped weight at an angle θ to an entire weight of the measurement sample, wherein the dropped weight at an angle θ is an average value of measurement values of the dropped weights of a total of 40 points from an angle of $[(\theta - 2.9325)^\circ] \underline{(\theta - 2.925)^\circ}$ to an angle θ .